

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 41 – SB 1429

April 6, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes “distressed rural county” as a criterion for where a local board of education must be located in order to adopt a policy to allow an employee to carry a concealed handgun on school property. Authorizes all local boards of education to adopt a policy to allow employees to carry a concealed handgun on the grounds of the school where they are employed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-816, the definition of “distressed rural county” applies to Wayne and Pickett Counties and authorizes a local board of education in only those two counties to adopt a policy to allow employees to carry a concealed handgun.
- The proposed legislation authorizes all local boards of education, the Achievement School District, and State Special Schools to adopt a concealed handgun policy.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-816 further requires that the employee who has been authorized to carry a concealed handgun is responsible for the cost of the handgun carry permit, additional firearms training, and the handgun and ammunition the employee will be carrying.
- LEAs will be able to update their policies and comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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